FIREFIGHTER/OPERATOR

(Competitive Class)

DISTINGUISHING FEATURES OF CLASS

Drives and operates fire department vehicles and apparatus, extinguishes and prevents spread of fires; performs routine maintenance and custodial work on department vehicles, equipment, stations and grounds, and related work as required.

This work involves skilled and hazardous duties in driving and operating departmental vehicles of all types and departmental equipment of any sort. The work is performed under supervision of a fire captain or as designated by the Fire Chief.

EXAMPLES OF WORK

(Note: These examples are intended only as illustrations of the various types of work performed in this class, the absence of specific statements of duties does not exclude those tasks from the position if the work is similar, related, or a logical assignment of the position.)

Drives fire trucks and other department vehicles to and from fires or as directed;

Operates pumps of fire truck or portable pumps of the department;

Operates rescue vehicle and transports injured persons or others to hospitals for medical attention.

Operates resuscitator and other rescue vehicle equipment;

Performs proper maintenance work on fire truck and other departmental equipment to keep it in good operational condition. This may consist of washing or other work on equipment;

Operates fire department rescue boat as required;

Keeps station clean and in proper order, does custodial duties, sweeps and mops station; keeps station grounds neat;

Keeps hose in good condition; loads and unloads hose in truck;

Lays and connects hose at fires and at practice sessions;

Operates radio and telephone at station and radio in vehicles;

Does dispatcher work at station;

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Learns and practices new methods of fire fighting or station operation;

Performs other work as indicated, required, or directed.

QUALIFICATION REQUIREMENTS

Must have a high school diploma or a valid certificate of equivalency issued by a state department of education.

Must not be less than eighteen (18) years of age.

After offer of employment, but before beginning work in this class, must pass a medical examination prepared and administered by the Appointing Authority, designed to demonstrate good health and physical fitness sufficient to perform the essential duties of the position, with or without accommodation.

Must possess a current valid driver's license.